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Subject: Coeburn Town Dump, Polrep #3, Coeburn, Virginia

POLREP #3  
 COEBURN TOWN DUMP  
 ROUTE 72 SOUTH  
 COEBURN, WISE COUNTY, VIRGINIA 24230  
 ATTN: CHARLIE KLEEMAN, DENNIS CARNEY, ERD-OERR  
 EVENT: SAMPLING ASSESSMENT

I. SITUATION (TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1996)

- A. ON MAY 14 1996, OSC KELLY SUBMITTED A REQUEST FOR FUNDS AT THE COEBURN TOWN DUMP SITE. THIS REQUEST WAS SIGNED AND APPROVED ON MAY 19 1996. THE OSC ARRANGED FOR AN ONSITE PRE-REMOVAL SITE VISIT WITH VADES, SATA, AND ERCS TO VIEW THE STEEP TERRAIN AND DEVELOP IDEAS FOR ERCS'S WORK PLAN.
- B. PERSONNEL ON-SCENE: EPA-1, VADES-1, SATA-1, ERCS-2.
- C. WEATHER ON-SCENE: SKIES CLEAR WITH TEMPS IN UPPER 40'S.

II. ACTIONS TAKEN

- A. OSC, SATA, AND ERCS MET WITH VADES IN NORTON, VA, AND PROCEEDED TO THE SITE IN COEBURN, VA.
- B. THE TEAM BEGAN WITH VADES PROVIDING HISTORICAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SITE. THE TEAM CONDUCTED A SITE WALK THROUGH OBSERVING SAMPLE LOCATION FLAGS, DEBRIS, AND SCATTERED PIECES OF BATTERY CASINGS. POTENTIAL LOCATIONS FOR THE COMMAND POST AND SOIL STAGING AREAS WERE DISCUSSED, HOWEVER, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT ADDITIONAL SAMPLING NEEDS TO BE PERFORMED IN THE PROPOSED LOCATIONS.
- C. VADES GATHERED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM OLD DOMINION POWER CO. WHO HAS AN EASEMENT FOR OVERHEAD POWER LINES ON THE SITE. IN THE PAST, THEY PERFORMED SOME SOIL TESTING ON THEIR EASEMENT AS A POTENTIAL SITE FOR A SUBSTATION. THE RESULTS OF THE TESTING WERE UNAVAILABLE BUT THEY INDICATED THEY FOUND LOW LEVELS OF LEAD IN THE SOIL. OLD DOMINION HAS NOT PURSUED THIS LOCATION ANY FURTHER.
- D. THE TEAM THEN PROCEEDED TO ACCESS THE LOWER PORTION OF THE SITE WHERE IT BORDERS THE GUEST RIVER. THE TEAM SPOKE WITH USGS REPRESENTATIVE, STEVE AHLSTEDT, AND TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY REPS WHO WERE CONDUCTING WATER

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QUALITY STUDIES ON THE GUEST RIVER. WATER QUALITY STUDIES ARE PERFORMED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS AND THE RESULTS ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST. THE LOWER PORTION OF THE SITE THAT BORDERS THE GUEST RIVER IS VERY STEEP. LOCATIONS FOR PLACEMENT OF EROSION CONTROL NEAR THE BANK OF THE RIVER WERE NOT IDEAL BUT FEASIBLE.

III. FUTURE PLANS

- A. OSC REQUESTED SATA TO SAMPLE THE PROPOSED COMMAND POST AND STAGING AREAS DURING WEEK OF MAY 20, 1996.
- B. A SURVEY OF THE PROPERTY BOUNDARIES NEEDS TO BE PERFORMED. SATA AND ERCS WILL COORDINATE ON PERSONNEL AVAILABILITY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS TASK.
- C. OSC REQUESTED ERCS TO SUBMIT A WORK PLAN FOR THE REMOVAL ACTIONS.
- D. OSC AWAITING OUTCOME OF THE ABOVE TASKS TO SET A MOBILIZATION DATE FOR THE START OF REMOVAL ACTIVITIES.

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